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A Needed Article.
Attention is directed to the advertisement in another column of Liming's Improved stove-damper. We have seen this really useful invention applied and cheerfully add our testimony to its great worth. There is a fortune in the patent rights offered for sale by Mr. J. N. Whidden, No. 11 Fifth street. Call and see the patent and purchase a State or County Right, as there can be no surer method of making a good investment.

FIRST EDITION.

12 O'CLOCK, M.

THE CAPITAL.

The Application of Nebraska.

Spirited Debate on the Bill.

Senators Explain Their Views on Reconstruction.

District Suffrage Bill Passed by the House.

Proposed Reorganization of Agricultural Department.

Louisianians Want Their State Reorganized.

The Imprisonment of C. V. Culver.

The Judiciary Committee will Report in His Favor.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON, December 14, 1866.

Government Library.

In the Senate to-day, Mr. Wilson introduced a bill to authorize the establishment of a library in the city of Washington for the use of Government employees, which was ordered to be printed.

Naval Aid.

Mr. Sprague introduced a joint resolution, which was passed, instructing the Secretary of the Navy to direct the naval officers at Panama and Aspinwall to aid those engaged in the survey of the new route to the Pacific, through the Isthmus of Darien, whenever practicable, without expense to the Government.

A Spirited Debate.

Mr. Wade then moved to take up the bill to admit Nebraska.

Mr. Poland hoped the bankrupt bill would be taken up. This led to a lively debate which was generally participated in.

Mr. Sumner opposed the Nebraska bill, because he said it was a provision for a white man's government.

Mr. Wade flew back at Sumner and charged him with being impracticable and visionary.

In the course of the debate, Mr. Sumner asked Mr. Wade if he would vote for the admission of the rebel States without negro suffrage.

Mr. Wade replied, that if the rebel States adopted the Constitutional Amendment within a reasonable time, Congress would be in honor bond to admit them.

Mr Sumner said he had never entered into such an agreement, and would never consent to it.

Mr. Sherman afterwards made a speech, in which he said the Union party was pledged to admit the rebel States on the ratification of the Amendment. If they rejected those mild terms, however, he would be in favor of reorganizing their State governments under military authority and on the basis of negro suffrage. ...

... United States steamer Florida, by yellow fever, November 24, off St. Croix, W. I., has been reported to the Navy Department by Commander H. Rolinds. Lieut. Forrest was buried at sea. The Florida proceeded to St. Thomas, by order of Admiral Palmer, but was obliged to return to St. Croix, in consequence of the prevalence of the cholera, yellow fever and small pox at that place. She would remain at quarantine till further orders.

DEATH.

Mrs. M. L. Fowler, wife of Senator Fowler of Tennessee, died last night, after a lingering illness.

MILITARY ORDER.

An order has been issued providing that officers and enlisted men summoned as witnesses outside of the Department in which they are serving, shall before departure, forward the same to the commanding general of the Department. In urgent cases post commanders may authorize immediate departure. The Judge Advocate is directed, wherever possible, to send the subpœna through the proper military channels.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS.

The Internal Revenue receipts to-day were $511,425.

RUMORED RESIGNATION OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

It is rumored here that Chief Justice Chase will resign his seat on the bench to accept the Presidency of the Pacific Railroad, vacated by General Dix's being appointed Minister to France.

A MISTAKE.

The assertion of Mr. Stevens yesterday, that the Navy Department charged the State Department for the use of navy vessels is a mistake. No charge is made for vessels in cases of Ministers, etc., transported on naval vessels. There is no appropriation for the payment of personal expenses, even for the Secretary of the Navy himself. In the case of Queen Emma, the State Department paid the expenses, or they would have fallen on the commander of the vessel.

MEXICO.

Hostility Against Americans.

Bad State of Affairs at Sonora.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 14.—All accounts from Mazatlan concur in stating that Corronna shows hostilities to Americans, and not having found prominent Imperialists on whom to wreak vengeance, has imprisoned forty people who occupied subordinate positions under French orders. Another American citizen, J. Lewis, has been arrested for high treason. It is said there is a bad state of affairs at Sonora, where the Yoqui Indians are still bent on fighting, and will not submit except on terms of their own dictation.

NEW ORLEANS, December 14.—A letter from the City of Mexico, dated November 23d, confirms the reported subscription of the clergy to Maximilian, but it would seem no settled defiled policy has been agreed upon, as Bazaine is said to have sent dispatches to Napoleon and he awaits events. Maximilian and the Ministers were still in council at Orizaba.

WASHINGTON, December 14.—Escobedo, under date of Matamoras, December 1st, announces the defeat of the regiment of the Empress at Bacas, seven leagues north of San Potosi. He expresses confidence that San Luis will fall in eight days, the number of the French not being sufficient to protect it. Troops are deserting ...

BY THE CABLE.

No Trouble in Rome.

Pope's Temporal Power Secured

The Situation in Ireland.

The Standing Army of France.

WAR IN JAPAN SUSPENDED.

Progress of Corean War.

Revolt Among Sardinian Peasantry.

No Trouble in Rome.

ROME, December 14.—There are no signs of trouble from the evacuation of the city by the French. It is denied that the Pope will leave here.

The Pope's Temporal Power.

LONDON, 10 P. M., December 14.—It is rumored here that the temporal power of the Pope was secured by an agreement made by Napoleon and Victor Emanuel.

Bullion in the Bank.

The bullion in the Bank of England is now greater than for eight years back.

Standing Army of France.

PARIS, December 14.—The French standing army will hereafter contain a million and a quarter soldiers.

Ireland.

LONDON, December 14.—It is now thought if there is any trouble in Ireland it will be sup...

THE WASHINGTON MURDER.

The Coroner's Inquest—Evidence of Mrs. Martha B. Montgomery and the Confession of Folger.

WASHINGTON, PA., December 13, 1866.
Special Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Commercial.

The Coroner's jury, after a long and patient investigation of the evidence taken before them in connection with the late Dinsmore murder, rendered a verdict that Robt. W. Dinsmore came to his death by the hand of Robert Fogler, assisted by some person on whom the jury could not agree. Immediately after the rendering of the verdict, William Dinsmore, brother of the deceased, appeared before Judge Acheson, of this place, and made information under oath, charging Robert Folger and William Montgomery, Jr., with the murder of his brother. A warrant was issued and a hearing will be had to-morrow morning before Judge Acheson. Appended you will find Robert Folger's and Mrs. Martha Montgomery's evidence before the Coroner's jury:

Robert Fogler, sworn—I have been boarding at the head of town, at Harrison Phillips', I left town about six o'clock in the evening of last Tuesday, the evening on which Mr. Dinsmore was murdered. I went out the Hickory road to the field of William Montgomery, and struck across the fields where his place joins Fred. Naser's garden. I went out to William Montgomery's stable, and was there met by Babe Montgomery, whose name is William. We started then and went the Cross Creek road past William Cundall's, and kept it till we got to Dinsmore's. When we got there we were there some few moments before entering the house. I think they were at worship when we went there, and we did not go in on that account. I knocked at the door then, and Mr. Dinsmore wanted to know who was there. I didn't tell him—I told him that Miller's family was in a very critical condition, and wanted some of them to come down and go for the doctor. Mr. D. then opened the door, and I told him I would like if some of the boys would go down there. He said he thought I must be mistaken—that there was no boys there. He (Mr. Dinsmore) asked me if I wasn't hunting Slemmons'. I asked him where Slemmons' lived, and he stepped out of the door to show me, and I stepped into the door behind him, I told him then that I wanted his money. I then called William ...

SECOND EDITION.

4 O'CLOCK A. M.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

WASHINGTON, December 14, 1866.
SENATE.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Finance Committee, reported back the deficiency bill making appropriations to supply deficiencies for expenses incurred in the service of the Government for the fiscal year ending June, 1867, with amendments. The amendments were agreed to, and the bill passed.

Mr. WILLIAMS asked that the Committee be discharged from the consideration of the bill to give extra compensation to a certain Register and Receiver in Tennessee. In a discussion which ensued on the proposition, Mr. Williams remarked that the man had received over eighteen thousand dollars from the Treasury, and it was the opinion of the Committee that that amount was sufficient compensation.

The discussion was continued at some length, the Senate refusing to discharge the Committee, and a motion to recommit the bill was agreed to.

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported favorably in regard to printing the report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office in the German, French and Swedish languages, for distribution at the Paris Exposition. The report was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. WILSON, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease a suitable building in the city of Washington, for a Government library. The bill was read twice and laid on the table.

Mr. RAMSAY introduced a bill to modify the act in relation to agricultural and mercantile college scrip, to make them locable upon preemption for settlement, according to legal sub-divisions. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. SPRAGUE presented a petition from a discharged soldier, asking for an increase of pension. Referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. POLAND offered a resolution to pay the widow of the late Senator Foote, of Vermont, the sum due deceased at the time of his death, ...

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Fires Last Night.

A few minutes before twelve o'clock last night, flames were discovered issuing from a frame stable owned by Henry Hofmaster, on Roberts street, above Center Avenue, in the Seventh ward. The alarm was sounded from box No. 54, on the corner of Center Avenue and Arthur street, and the firemen were promptly on the ground, but owing to the combustible material in the stable, it was entirely destroyed. There was in the stable a considerable quantity of hay, which was entirely consumed. Seventeen geese were also burned. At the breaking out of the fire there were three horses in the stable, belonging to Mr. Hofmaster, James Parkhill and John Kersmeyer, but they were removed in safety. The harness was also removed. Mr. Hofmaster's loss will amount to about five hundred dollars, and he had no insurance. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

ANOTHER INCENDIARY FIRE.—At two o'clock ...

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1866.

THE New York *Herald*, under the head, in capitals, "The Roman Question," gives but the following telegram: "An American frigate has arrived at Civita Vecchia." We can't see the connection. The place named is nearer to Rome than the arrival is to the Roman question.

SEVERAL of the New York banks are considerably short of the 25 per cent. of legal tender reserve which they are required by law to keep on hand. The Committee on Banking favor Secretary MCCULLOCH's recommendation to enforce general redemption at New York. If we are to have such a power invested in the New York banks, it is important that they set a good example, by making themselves strong in legal tenders.

THE French Emperor appears to be contracting his views. We say, appears to be, for we do not venture to go beyond that in relation to his policy. He is calling home his troops, from Rome and from Mexico, and seems tired of trying to hold up a weak and useless government in the one, and to build up an arbitrary and intrusive one in the other. The reign of this NAPOLEON in France has been, on the whole, a wise and good one for the people of that country. His outside enterprises have not been so fortunate. Perhaps he is going to devote the remainder of his life to domestic government—of his Empire, we mean chiefly—for the aggrandisement of France, which, we must say, needs a little rousing up. If he would do somewhat more, and persuade his accomplished conjugal consort to do somewhat less, his advanced years would be the happier, and the prospects of the Prince Imperial and the French people, the brighter.

SURRATT is destined to be again a conspicuous name in the public eye. The discovery and arrest of JOHN SURRATT brings it up in painful connection with the crime which, twenty months ago, threw our entire nation into *mourning*. His last hiding place was deep and remote, his other hiding places while flying from [illegible] such as are not supposed to [illegible] and [illegible] con[illegible] de[illegible] the jury on the trial of a [illegible], who committed the deed thinking no eye was upon him, "Ah, gentlemen, there was the prisoner's mistake, &c." The Omniscient cannot be deceived, the Almighty cannot be eluded. The story of the pursuit, discovery and capture of this fugitive —embracing a year and eight months of time and thousands of miles of distance, is full of interest. The sequel, with its developments, will be still more so, reviving old griefs, and, perhaps, exposing half forgotten complications of the horrid crime.

MEXICO AND MAXIMILIAN.

After all, it is doubtful whether MAXIMILIAN has gone, or made up his mind to go, from Mexico. The report now is, that he is disposed to stay, if not determined to stay. He has only been diplomatising, beating the bush, to see how things actually stood, to call out expressions, and especially to call out cash, for future operations. Where he is precisely, they do not appear to know in Mexico, and how shall we know here? He is reported at Orizaba, where he has actually been, he is reported in Puebla, where he may have been, he is said not to have reached the Capital, where he is just as likely to be as anywhere else, and it is rumored that he was for some little time in Vera Cruz, but Mexican rumors do not pass current with us, when Mexican reports are at such heavy discount. As we generally choose to do our guessing, we guess MAXIMILIAN is moving about somewhat lively, under the persuasion that something must be done, whether he goes or stays.

But the indications are, so far as we get anything reliable, that the present purpose of the Emperor is not only to stay in Mexico, but to stay as Emperor. He has got something more to encourage him than the Vera Cruz proclamation in his favor, and the rockets, music and *vivas* that welcomed its publication, at 4 o'clock, on the morning of December 1st. He has got the Bishops and clergy on his side, and, what is better, liberal dips into their strong boxes, where half the money of Mexico is stored. So say the reports. These kind ecclesiastics, being conservators of the church's funds, have placed at the disposal of MAXIMILIAN the trifling sum of $25,000,000, for immediate use, and promised a like sum annually to enable him to keep up an army. The merchants of Mexico pledged themselves at the same time to give him annually ten million dollars. On these terms, the result of excellent diplomacy on his part, MAXIMILIAN has decided to remain in Mexico, to retain his crown, and, if need be, to shed the last drop of his blood in defending the nation. For this information we are indebted to the New York *Times'* correspondent.

It appears that MAXIMILAN is to rely hereafter on Mexican support: France has failed him and so has Austria. If the above reports are correct, he is likely to do better without than he could do with their help. This being the attitude of affairs, the Monroe doctrine has a new phase of Imperialism to be applied to. The *foreign* interference being frustrated, does the Monroe Doctrine bear any application to home-made Empires and Kingdoms. The feeling in Mexico towards the United States is said to be not cordial nor conciliatory. If the mass of the people there or if the Church Party support MAXIMILIAN and his throne, and do it effectively, the JUAREZ Government, by itself, will be of no account. This, however, may not prove to be the case.

RUSSIA AND ROME.

These two powers, if the latter is still a power, have peculiarities, somewhat alike, that distinguish them from the other European nations. The head ruler of each is also the professed head of a church. In this character an old antagonism exists between them. Although in many respects their religious and ecclesiastical views are similar, the Greek church and the Roman have not been on terms of close friendship and fellowship with each other, more than with those who reject the special opinions and claims of both.

How much the old ecclesiastical conflicts, and how much political considerations, have had of influence in the case, we are not able to determine, but it is a fact worthy of notice, that the Russian Government has been the first to formally ignore the civil government of Rome, the Czar having withdrawn from all diplomatic relations with the Pope. This formal act of diplomacy, which in common parlance would be denominated a snubbing of the Pope as a civil ruler, as one among the world's Potentates, is indicative of the small account made, among the sovereigns and nations of Europe, of what is called the Temporal Power of the Pope. What may be its influence on other powers remains to be seen.

But independent of this, the temporal power of the Pope is manifestly upon its last legs. It has been but a shadow and a name for three centuries. For the last eighteen years it has been but a dependency of France, under the protection of that power. This protection is now withdrawn, and, like air rushing in to fill a vacuum, the subjects of the Pope, especially those in the city of Rome, are intent on abolishing his civil rule over them altogether, and having the whole and united kingdom of Italy under one government, with one head, VICTOR EMANUEL, and with one capital, the ancient city of Rome. To American eyes this looks very proper, and to all eyes it looks highly probable. Perhaps the action of Russia may have anticipated it, perhaps not. But such is the direct tendency of political affairs in Southern Europe, and it arises from the tone of mind among the *people* of Italy, which is nowhere more intense and resolute than in the city of Rome. Whatever may be the wish of VICTOR EMANUEL in that direction—though it cannot be doubted that his mind is in accord with that of the people—he is under engagements to *protect* the Pope, on the withdrawal of the French soldiers, who have performed that duty for eighteen years. But should a rising of the people in Rome, like that which occurred in 1848, cause the retreat of the Pope from the city, as it did then, a pretext would of course be given for the occupation of Rome by the force of the protector, which would undoubtedly be followed, at the solicitation of the people, by the permanent establishment of his capital there, and, of course, by the final extinction of the civil rule or temporal power of the Pope.

We are not well enough acquainted with the nature of that antiquated amalgamation of political and ecclesiastical forces that has been embodied in the Czar and the Pope, to divine what may be the consequences of a separation of the elements. Some of them we can readily foresee. And from our stand-point we can discover none that we regard as otherwise than beneficial, both to Church and State, to religious and political affairs. The power of the Pope, when he could effectively depose sovereigns and put kingdoms under his regimen, is easily appreciated, and good reasons can be seen, under those circumstances, why he should hold fast to such a potency of sway. That was a temporal power corresponding with the name. But when it has faded out of sight in European diplomacy, and has, in form and extent, been shriveled to the political rule of a small section of Italy, whose population have for years been kept from insurrection against him only by foreign soldiers, the loss of it cannot, in itself, be a very severe one. It might be less disagreeable, perhaps, if the power were to pass into the hands of some other than an excommunicated person—this, if we recollect rightly being the status of VICTOR EMANUEL.

If, after the separation of politics and religion, of State and Church in the Pope, a similar divorce were effected in the Czar, each taking the bigger part of his former load, his proper part, the one devoting himself to religion and the other confining himself to statesmanship, the world would probably wag along the better for the change. England, too, and a few other countries might advantageously share in the process of reform, and participate in its benefits.

A CHANGE.

When the proceedings of the Philadelphia Convention—justly termed, by TRAIN in a letter to the President, "your Convention"—were rehearsed by a committee to Mr. JOHNSON, he pronounced on them the most lofty praise. Language seemed inadequate to the occasion, and tears came to the rescue. The address and resolutions were called "inspired," "a declaration of principles more important than any made since 1787," "equal to the Declaration of Independence," "a second Declaration of Independence," "a second Proclamation of Emancipation of the people of the United States."

Four months have scarcely passed over, the Convention is more than half forgotten, its proceedings are as though they had not been, and the whole affair finds none, even of its members, "so poor as to do it reverence." It is one of the best, plainest and severest lessons to politicians who undertake to manufacture parties for their own ends. And it is a new evidence of the intelligence, reliableness and correctness of the judgment of the people of this country on the politics of the times.

The Board of Fire Underwriters.

[For the Pittsburgh Commercial.]

The Board of Fire Underwriters of Allegheny county having adopted a new tariff of minimum rates of premium, which went into effect on the 1st inst., it is considered due to the property owners of Pittsburgh and vicinity that the reasons which led to this act on the part of the Board should be briefly stated.

That the business of insurance may be adequately sustained by capital, it must be made equally remunerative with other branches of business, and that it is not thus remunerative can be shown by a glance at the large increase of losses, expenses and taxes of insurance companies over what they were previous to 1860.

LOSSES.—The losses by fire during the last eighteen months in this country have been some ninety millions of dollars; for ten years preceding the war the losses did not exceed twenty-two millions annually. The loss by fire in Allegheny county from August 20, 1864 to March 26, 1866, embracing a period of nineteen months, as taken from the official reports of the Fire Marshal, reached the enormous amount of one million seven thousand three hundred and fifty three dollars; and during the last twelve months of that period the losses by fire in this county (and principally in the two cities) averaged about sixty-two thousand dollars a month.

CAPITAL.—The municipal, State and United States taxes paid by insurance companies have increased more than 500 per cent. within the last five years, while the other expenses have increased since the change in currency in proportion to the increase of expenses in other branches of business. Insurance losses are mainly partial, and mechanics will not repair buildings for insurance companies for a less sum than for others. Bricks, lumber and goods, to replace others lost or damaged, must be paid for at the increased prices; thus, while taxes, expenses and losses have largely increased, the prices paid for insurance have not advanced; on the contrary, the rates in this city, on many descriptions of property, are actually lower than they were in 1860.

DIVIDENDS.—Insurance capital has not been nearly so remunerative as is generally supposed. An examination of the amount of dividend declared within the past three years by the various companies doing business in New York, as shown by the reports of Superintendent Barnes, will show that seven-tenths of those companies have passed from one to three dividends, that only about one-tenth of the whole number have realized for their stockholders over 5 per cent annually, and that the dividends paid have in a majority of instances been realized from the investment of the capital and not from the fire business of those companies. The business of fire insurance has been equally unremunerative in this city. Of the ten older local companies, only six have, within the last three years, paid 6 per cent., or over, annually, while all except one have passed one or more dividends; it having required all of the premiums received in their fire business, together with the amounts realized by investment of their capital—after deducting losses, expenses and taxes—to lay by an adequate reserve fund for the protection of their policy holders.

It may be granted that it is contrary to the nature of things that the alarming epidemic of fires, which has been raging for three years last past, should continue for an indefinite period, but it requires no extraordinary knowledge of the laws of finance to determine that unless the income of fire insurance companies can be increased in nearly the same proportion as their outlay, their soundness financially and their ability to protect the policy holders must soon become seriously impaired. In fact the managers of insurance companies, both in this country and in Europe, are profoundly convinced that unless there is an [illegible] rates commensurate [illegible] with the increase of expenses and losses, these auxiliaries to commerce must, in a few years, cease to exist, and for obvious reasons. The strong companies will not go on, the weak ones cannot.

The rates heretofore received were not adequate for the losses of ordinary fires. If these were to continue, upon what is the policy holder to rely to meet those inevitable recurring conflagrations from which few, if any, large cities and towns are exempt? The general security of property throughout the country requires an increase of premium. It is not less the interest of the insured than the insurer. The Board therefore confidently appeal to an intelligent business public to sustain them in this slight advance on the rates of premium heretofore paid.

The Wool Tariff—Immediate Action Required.

The Philadelphia correspondent of the Steubenville *Herald* says: "The National Wool Growers' Convention, lately convened in Ohio, was not assembled a day too soon. An extraordinary effort will be made at the coming session of Congress, on the part of importers, foreign manufacturers, and their attorneys, to have the proposed tariff on wool postponed again, trusting to time for its final defeat. It is not alone the English manufacturers with whom we have to contend. The German States make largely of stuff goods, and perhaps the little kingdom of Saxony will wield quite as much influence to our detriment as the English. France, Great Britain and Germany, in combination, will make their last and most desperate effort to overthrow our present system of protection and prevent us, if possible, in strengthening our position as the great manufacturing nation of the world. How important, then, that the Committee appointed by the Cleveland Convention should be at Washington early, there to remain urging Congress up to the duty of making the bill of last session a law. It is only by ceaseless importunity, by influences which cannot safely be disregarded by Senators, that the House bill, which was laid up in the Senate last session, will be passed into a law the coming winter. A determined, resolute effort will be crowned with success. Trusting to fair promises, manifest duties, and great obligations to constituencies, will not do without watchfulness and work. Let Senators understand, in the most emphatic manner, once for all, that the real wool interest of the United States is not to be laid up in lavender this session, but must be protected in common with other products of the country, and it will be done. Let it not be asked as a boon, but as a right."

Small Change.

While gold and silver are at a premium, it is clear that no small coin of these metals will circulate in common use. But a small metal coinage however base, is found to be a greater convenience than very small fractional currency, hence Secretary McCulloch is withdrawing three and five cent notes. But the idea that we have seen advanced by certain journals that a return to specie payment would be hastened by withdrawing all notes under five dollars seems to us quite absurd, since even if there was no premium on gold or silver, there is not enough of either to supply a circulation for the one and two Treasury and National notes now in use. Pennsylvania has had an experience under a law, prohibiting the circulation of notes under the denomination of five dollars. It became a dead letter and was finally repealed. Meantime the small notes of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and other adjacent States were used. Legislation cannot call gold and silver into circulation as the suppression of small bills presupposes. All such laws are made in utter ignorance of the simplest principles of political economy.

PHILADELPHIA TAXES.—Complaints are made through the Philadelphia papers, about the inequality of taxation in that city. The rate of 4 per cent. for 1867 is so apparently high because the taxable valuation is claimed to be $200,000,000 less than it should be. During a debate in Select Council, one member stated that "there was a property at Chestnut Hill, valued at $150,000, assessed at $5,000; one property worth hundreds of thousands assessed at $11,000, and a property in the Twenty-fourth ward, worth $150,000, assessed at $12,000." A Board of Revision has the matter in charge, but the *Press* says "additional legislation seems to be needed. Assessments, as managed at present in Philadelphia, are evidently worse that a farce; they merely furnish a legal excuse for favoritism on the one hand and extortion on the other."

The Boston *Evening Express* is glad to learn from what it deems good authority, that Edwin Forrest has not left the stage for good. However strongly Mr. Forrest's inclination may lead him to withdraw from the laborious duties of his professional life, we believe his respect for the demands of the public and patrons of the drama, will induce him to occasionally appear on the stage.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

The last mortuary report for New York showed an annual death rate of 25.77 exclusive of the islands, and 22.6 in Brooklyn, exclusive of county institutions.

It is proposed to increase the number and pay of the Chicago police force. The present cost of the force is $193,700. Should it be increased as proposed to four hundred the annual cost would be about half a million dollars.

Arrangements are making to give the workmen who dug the Chicago tunnel a grand dinner.

The Louisville horse cars are now comfortably heated through the winter. Pittsburgh might adopt the improvement much to the satisfaction of passengers.

An unpleasant feeling exists between the Chicago Fire Department and the Board of Underwriters. The latter complain of inefficiency on the part of the Fire Department, and are holding meetings in relation to the matter.

The Denver *Gazette* says that the Colorado Oil Company are about to sink a well on their oil property in the neighborhood of Mount Vernon.

The lessees of the Ohio State Canals have lost $100,000 during the year by damage to the works from extraordinary causes.

An agricultural implement manufactory, capital $300,000, to be located at Cincinnati, has just been chartered.

The Cincinnati papers repeat the warning of journals in other cities that persons seeking employment should keep out of the cities, especially Cincinnati.

The population of Indiana in 1860 was 1,350,000, now it is 1,700,000, and it will be about 2,000,000 in 1870. The ratio of increase since 1860 has been 18 per cent.

The number of soldiers' and sailors orphans of all ages, admitted to the Pennsylvania schools during the past year, was 3,210.

The annual meeting of the Soldiers' and Sailors National Cemetery was held at Philadelphia, on Wednesday. Twelve of the States having dead in the Cemetery were represented. The next meeting will be held at Gettysburg in June next.

At the last regular monthly meeting of the New York Young Men's Christian Association three hundred and thirteen new members were added.

A bill for a charter for a Chicago Union Club House has been framed, and will be submitted to the Illinois Legislature. It is proposed to build a hall that will seat six thousand persons, with a reading-room attached. The bill was drafted by James P. Root, Secretary of the Republican Union State Central Committee.

Thock lo-turtenugge, is the chief of some four hundred wildmen of the woods—remains of the Seminole and Uchee Indians still remaining in Florida.

The present flood of English publications, at New York, has nearly swamped the book trade of that city.

An important meeting of merchants was recently held at Memphis, on the subect of exorbitant rents. High rents have recently impaired trade, and threaten its total destruction, along with the two per cent. tax.

The bill granting $500,000 to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad, $500,000 to the Cincinnati and Cumberland Gap and Charleston Railroads, and $500,000 to the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad has passed the Tennessee Legislature.

Great preparations are making at Nashville to celebrate the anniversary of the battle of Nashville on the 16th inst.

Large numbers of emigrants are still pouring into the State of Missouri, notwithstanding the lateness of the season.

The Iron Mountain Railroad will be extended to Cairo or Columbus early in the spring.

The Detroit *Free Press* says that the last crop of winter wheat in Michigan "may fairly challenge comparison as to quality with any that was ever grown in any country."

The high price of wheat has already called out nearly one half of the Wisconsin crop.

A party is now organizing at St. Louis, Mo., for emigration to Venezuela. The Venezuelan Government has made a munificent grant of land for American settlers.

PERSONAL.

—The London *Court Journal* says it is reported that "the Laureate Tennyson is about to leave the Isle of Wight, where he has a pretty little house and grounds at Faringford. If the report be true, he will actually have been driven away by the curiosity of his neighbors. He has bought up all the land he could get around his grounds, but to no effect. He is watched and dogged wherever he goes. He opens a window or pulls up a blind, a score of eyes are upon him, aided by opera glasses and telescopes. In London he is quiet enough; no one suspects the great poet of our day to be that tall man with a wideawake, long beard and spectacles."

—Richard H. Dana, Jr., has just commenced a course of lectures on International law at Harvard University.

—The silver wedding of A. S. Barnes, the prominent book publisher of New York, was celebrated a few days since at his residence at Brooklyn. Death has not entered the family during the whole period, and the five sons and five daughters, with a large party of relatives and friends, were present on the auspicious occasion.

—The London *Spectator* has this announcement:—"Professor de Morgan, one of the greatest living mathematicians, and certainly far the ablest living thinker and teacher on the logic of mathematics, has resigned his chair in the University College, London, in consequence of the recent decision arrived at by the council of that body to reject Professor Martineau's candidature for the chair of intellectual philosophy and logic on the ground of his denominational reputation."

—A private library of Mr. William A. Whiteman, of Philadelphia, is announced for sale in New York. It contains a collection of the early English dramatists, the publications of the Bradford Club, and Christopher Columbus's account of his discovery of America, written after his return in 1493, and printed at the end of a play dedicated to King Ferdinand in 1494.

—Lieutenant Governor Winchester, of Connecticut, left for Europe per steamer Scotia. He is going to make a visit to the Swiss Government, for the purpose of closing a contract for furnishing their army with the Winchester rifle. He returns home in February, and in April will go to Paris, in his capacity of Commissioner to the Paris Exposition.

—Rev. Dr. George W. Northup, of the Rochester Theological Seminary, has been elected to the chair of Systematic Theology, in the Theological Department of the Chicago University. He has accepted, and will leave Rochester in May next, to enter upon the duties of his new position.

—Governor Morton, of Indiana, who is suffering from paralysis, is trying a Swedish invention called the iron treatment. The legs are placed in iron boots and subjected to an oscillatory motion of twelve hundred a minute, and the arms, similarly encased, two thousand a minute. The operation causes almost insufferable heat, and is intended to vitalize and increase the action of the muscles and nerves. The Governor is doing as well as could be expected.

—Wm. B. Thompson, now of London, and formerly a dry goods merchant in Hartford, Connecticut, has given $20,000 to the Art Gallery of Yale College Hall of Arts, founded by the liberality of the late Augustus R. Street.

—D'Arcy M'Gee writes a gentle note to Mr. Geo. Brown, of the Toronto *Globe*, charging him, among other peccadilloes, with "utter falsehood" and "arrant cowardice."

—While the *Memorial Diplomatique* speaks in the most encouraging terms of the health of the Empress Carlotta, the journals of Vienna and Trieste tell a very different tale. The Trieste *Gazette* hinted the other day that a physical malady had become superadded to the mental disorder of the Imperial patient.

—The New York correspondent of the Chicago *Republican* writes: "Dining, the other day, with a noted and prominent politician of this city, he informed me it was he who first nominated Fremont for the Presidency in 1856. Fremont was then living at a Broadway hotel, at an expense of five hundred dollars a week, and borrowing the money at three per cent. a month. The arrangement was that John Charles should raise $500,000 on Mariposa, and if he was not elected, the estate should be returned to him free. He delayed the scheme so long that it was discovered he was influenced by his wife, who was unwilling he should get the money by such means. When the thing was first proposed, Fremont might have carried Pennsylvania and the election by prompt use of the means; but the golden opportunity fled and the Pathfinder lost the path forever that leads to the White House."

—Prince Arthur having now reached his sixteenth year, Queen Victoria has determined that he shall enter the Royal Military Academy at Woolwich as a gentleman cadet. The Prince of Wales is a General in the army and Colonel of the Tenth Hussars; Prince Alfred is a Captain in the navy; and it is intended that Prince Arthur shall be prepared for a commission in either the engineers or artillery. The royal family will thus be connected with nearly every branch of the service.

—Louis Kossuth, writing to a friend in Brooklyn, to acknowledge the gift of an album containing photographs of some of the most distinguished statesmen, heroes and martyrs of the Union cause, says: "I have derived great pleasure from contemplating the features of those great and good men whose wisdom, perseverance and heroism carried the American Republic victoriously through all the trials of the tremendous war, on the issue of which depended not only the maintenance of the Union, but even the future progress of the Christian world toward true liberty, inasmuch as I am thoroughly persuaded that the onward march of the democratic principle will now be irresistible, after its vitality has been tested with so much success, on a scale unprecedented in history."

—Americans in London begin to suspect Artemus Ward of flunkyism. A London correspondent of a Boston journal says: Mr. Ward panders too much for my taste to John Bull's prejudice. Perhaps he does not actually raise a laugh against his own country, but he goes very near it; and the tone of his lectures are not agreeable to American sympathizers, which is a tolerably fair test of their quality. I regret to say his health is very feeble, and prevents him from enjoying some of the hospitalities which some of our literary men would be glad to offer him. Though he has contributed several papers to *Punch*, he is unknown personally, I believe, to the leading contributors of that periodical, and though repeatedly pressed to join the *Punch* weekly dinner, has hitherto begged off on the ground of the uncertainty of his health.

STATE ITEMS.

This is the centenary year of the introduction of Presbyterianism west of the Allegheny Mountains, and meetings are therefore being held by different presbyteries in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio in commemoration of the event. These are not so much meetings for devotion as Presbyterian historical conventions.

A Division of the Sons of Temperance is about to be organized in Meadville.

The Steele Farm, in Venango county, was sold on Monday for $11,000 to satisfy the Government for the one dollar tax per barrel on crude petroleum. The sale was made to Government officers, who bid it off to secure the United States.

George V. Forman, Esq., of Oil City, has received the appointment of Sequestrator of the property of the Clarion Land and Improvement Company, commonly known as the Oil City and Pithole Railroad.

The remains of John Morall, a German watchmaker, a resident of Butler, and formerly a resident of Kittanning, were found a few days ago at the town of Cunningham, opposite Brady's Bend, where they had been hastily buried. The remains were turned up by laborers engaged in excavating for the railroad track. Portions of the clothing, the coat buttons and shoe buckles were gathered. The wife of Morall was sent for, who at once identified the articles as belonging to her husband. That he was murdered there is no doubt as neither money nor watches were found with him.

Catharine Troutman, widow of Benjamin Troutman, late of Somerset county, is the mother, grandmother and great grandmother of one hundred and fifty children, and is not yet seventy years of age.

The Hicksite branch of the Society of Friends of Philadelphia are erecting a spacious college at Westdale, Pennsylvania, for the education of their own children. It will cost about $200,000.

The National Guard, General Lyle, of Philadelphia, commanding, have decided to visit Harrisburg and participate in the ceremonies connected with the inauguration of General Geary, Governor elect of Pennsylvania.

The Butler *Citizen* has changed hands, Thomas Robinson, Esq., retiring from the editorial chair, and Major C. E. Anderson, a brave officer and accomplished gentleman, succeeding him. Major Anderson promises improvement in the *Citizen*, and will energetically labor to that end.

Rev. Dr. McLean, pastor of the U. P. Church, Beaver, has purchased the seminary building in that town, lately used in connection with the Beaver Female Seminary, which latter institution has a large building and a large number of scholars.

OHIO NEWS ITEMS.

There are now eight hundred and ninety-seven convicts in the State Penitentiary at Columbus.

During the past year thirty-one thousand emigrants passed through Columbus.

A mortgage from the Cincinnati, Dayton and Eastern Railroad Company to Israel M. Spelman, of Boston, Massachusetts, left for record at the Recorder's office in Cincinnati, had $2,000 worth of stamps on it, the consideration being 2,000,000.

A couple of ladies of Springfield entered a store in that place the other day, and one of them administered a cowhiding to one of the male inmates of the establishment, while her friend stood by to see fair play. The suffering individual had, it was charged, made some remarks unfavorable to the lady's character, and she it seems thought that was a good way to vindicate her reputation.

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This preparation is entirely new, having been in use only a few months; yet, in no single instance has it been known to fail. The first dose, "forty drops," invariably relieves the pain, and, thrice repeated, often effects a cure.

It not only relieves the most excruciating agony; but, when the patient has been confined to bed for months, a few doses will frequently carry off the attack in two or three days; and in many cases of extreme torture, relief has been obtained in a few hours. In all other cases the sufferer has been restored to health in a short space of time.

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Remember that a few drops of this wonderful medicine acts like magic, and instantly alleviates the most unbearable pain. Tell your afflicted friends to try it and be convinced. PRICE ONE DOLLAR PER BOTTLE. Sole Agent for Pittsburgh,

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RELIGIOUS.

TRINITY CHURCH, SIXTH STREET, between Wood and Smithfield. Special Mission Services, under the direction of the Trinity Church Guild. Seats free. Every one invited. EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at 3½ o'clock, there will be Divine Service, with a short, practical sermon, in Trinity Church, to which all people are cordially invited. The Church Bells will chime 15 minutes before the hour of service.

PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Public Religious Services in the New Academy of Music, and Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. HENRY D. MOORE, TO-MORROW, at 10½ A. M., and at 7 P. M. Subject in the Morning: "The Divine Agency and Human Instrumentality in Conversion; or, the True Conditions of Religious Revivals." In the Evening: "It is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the World, to Save Sinners."

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, FIFTH STREET, ABOVE SMITHFIELD. Rev. J. B. WALKER, of Ohio Conference, will preach at 10:30 A. M., and the Pastor, ALEXANDER CLARK, at 7 P. M. Subject of evening discourse—"The Storm on Galilee, or Effort in Adversity." Sunday School at 9 A. M., and 1 45 P. M. Free seats.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP—The Partnership heretofore existing between ROBERT CHESSMAN and GEO. O. CLARK, for the purpose of manufacturing Leather Belting, was by mutual consent dissolved on the 13th inst. The business of the old firm will be settled by Robt. Chessman, or by his order. ROBT. CHESSMAN, GEO. O. CLARK. Allegheny City, December 13, 1866.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—A SMALL BLACK AND TAN RAT TERRIER. Any one leaving information of her whereabouts, or returning her to W. SMITH, at 195 LIBERTY STREET, will be liberally rewarded.

NEW BOOKS.

Milton's Paradise Lost, illustrated by Dore	$50 00
New Cotta Books—The Draytons and the Davenants; a story of the Civil Wars, by the author of the "Schonberg Cotta Family."	1 75
Poems—The Women of the Gospel, The three Wakings, and other Poems, by author of "Cotta Family."	1 75
The Fair Gospeller; passages in the Life of Mistress Anne Askew, recounted by ye unworthy pen of Nicholas Moldwarp, B. A., and now first set forth by the author of Mary Powell	1 75
The Brownings, a tale of the Great Rebellion	1 25
The Brewer's Family, by Mrs. Ellis, author of "Women of England," etc.	1 25
Conservative Surgery, as exhibited in remedying some of the mechanical causes that operate injuriously, both in health and disease, by H. G. Davis, M. D.	3 00
Women of the War, their heroism and sacrifice, by Frank Moore; author of Rebellion Record	4 00
Hopefully Waiting, and other verses, by A. D. F. Randolph	1 50
Froude's History of England, vol. 7 and 8 each	3 00
A Summer in Leslie Goldwaithe's life, by Miss Whitney, author of "Faith Gartney," "Gayworthy's," &c.	1 75
Taylor on Infantile Paralysis	1 00
Sir Brooke Fossbrooke, a novel by Chas Lever	50
Essays on Art, by Francis Turner Palgrave	1 75
Lalla Rookh, a new edition with illustrations by John Tenniel	1 50
Poems of Alfred B. Street; 2 vols.	3 00
The Shadow of the Rocks; companion to Changed Cross	1 50

Call and see our holiday stock of fine Illustrated Books, Juveniles, Toy Books, &c., &c.

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DIARIES AND ALMANACS, ALL KINDS, FOR 1867. JOHN P. HUNT & CO., 59 FIFTH ST., MASONIC HALL.

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LARD—A FRESH LOT OF CHOICE KETTLE RENDERED Just Received. For sale by CHAS. C. BALSLEY, 201 Liberty street.

SHAKER TABLE MATS. 100 sets genuine Shaker Table Mats (the most impervious to heat) just received at the Housefurnishing Store of T. H. RICHARDS, 30 Fifth street.

STONE CUTTERS' MALLETS.—Just received 6 dozen best Hickory Stone Cutters' Mallets, assorted sizes, for sale at JAMES BOWN'S, 136 Wood street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SUITABLE PRESENTS FOR THE Holidays. Gray & Logan, 47 ST. CLAIR STREET, Are now offering during the Holidays special inducements to all those having purchases to make of Boys', Youths' or Children's SUITS AND OVERCOATS. FOR A PRESENT Nothing can be more suitable than articles in our line, and as Boys' Clothing is a speciality with us, we feel confident that we have a larger assortment than any other house in the city, and at prices to suit the times. An early call is respectfully solicited by GRAY & LOGAN, 47 ST. CLAIR ST.

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STOCK SALES

AT A. McILWAINE'S, 106 Smithfield street.

VALUABLE STOCKS & BONDS.—TUESDAY EVENING, December 18th, at 7½ o'clock, will be sold on Second Floor of Commercial Sales Rooms, 106 Smithfield street: 30 shares Citizens National Bank, 15 shares Birmingham Gas Co., 500 shares Olive Oil Company, 50 shares Central Skating Park, 60 shares Union Skating Park, 10 shares Columbia Oil Co., $1,000 City of Pittsburgh 5 per cent. Compromise Bond, $3,000 Allegheny County 5 per cent Compromise Bonds, $1,600 Allegheny City 4 per cent. Bonds. A. McILWAINE, Auctioneer.

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NOTICE. AMERICAN ANTI-INCRUSTATOR. The attention of Manufacturers and others using steam boilers is directed to this practical and reliable process for removing and preventing the destructive, expensive and calcareous formation known as scale. Special attention given to correspondents. CURTIS & HAVEN, Corner Wood and Third streets, P. O. Address, Box 134.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.—ANNUAL MEETING OF CLARION LAND AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.—The annual Meeting for the election of President and directors will be held at the McHenry House, Meadville, Pa., on MONDAY, the 14th day of January, 1867. J. T. BLAIR, Secretary.

LADIES' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.—The Managers of the Ladies' Relief Association of the City of Pittsburgh will please meet at the house of Mrs. Farmer Denny, No. 111 Penn st., on FRIDAY, 14th inst., at 3 o'clock. Mrs. E. DENNY, President.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BIRMINGHAM, Birmingham, December 8, 1866. NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION for Seven Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on the 2d TUESDAY OF JANUARY (8th) 1867, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock P. M. JOHN P. BEECH, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ALLEGHENY, PA., ALLEGHENY, PA., December 8, 1866. THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will take place at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. J. T. KRAMER, Cashier.

PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, December 8, 1866. THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will take place at the Banking House, corner of Wood and Fifth streets, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. JOSEPH H. HILL, Cashier.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, PITTSBURGH, December 8th, 1866. ELECTION NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR NINE DIRECTORS of this Bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. JNO. B. LIVINGSTON, Cashier.

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CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, Pittsburgh, December 8th, 1866. THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR NINE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, Between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. J. E. BRADY, Jr., Cashier.

MERCHANTS AND MANUFACTURERS NATIONAL BANK, Pittsburgh, December 8th, 1866. THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will take place at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, Between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. JOHN SCOTT, Jr., Cashier.

NOTICE.—THE OLD AND well known ship firm of A. & J. E. WELLS, formerly WELLS, RIDDLE & CO., of this city, have removed their business [illegible] Pa., JANUARY 1, 1867. [illegible] A. & J. E. WELLS.

THE EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, December 8th, 1866. THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. H. M. MURRAY, Cashier.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, PITTSBURGH, December 7th, 1866. ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of this Bank for the Election of Directors will be held at No. 55 MARKET STREET, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1867, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year. D. LEET WILSON, Cashier.

OFFICE OF CITIZENS INSURANCE CO., Pittsburgh, December 8, 1866. AN ELECTION FOR FIFTEEN DIRECTORS of this Company, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at this office, on MONDAY, the 7th of January, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. WM. A. SHEPARD, Secretary.

STOCKHOLDERS TAKE NOTICE.—That an election for President and Managers of the PITTSBURGH FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' TURNPIKE ROAD COMPANY, will be held at the office of Brush & Negley on MONDAY, the 7th day of January next, from 10 A. M. till 12 M. G. W. HALLMAN, Secretary. November 19th, 1866.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, U. S. DEPOSITORY, Pittsburgh, August 28, 1866. THE GOVERNMENT IS NOW converting U. S. 7-30 NOTES, 1st SERIES, INTO U. S. 5-20 GOLD BEARING BONDS. Persons desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity can do so by applying at the FOURTH NATIONAL BANK, No. 55 Market st. D. LEET WILSON, Cashier.

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THE PULPIT.

THE GOLDEN RULE.

ermon Preached by Rev. Wm. Preston, D. D., Pastor of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Pittsburgh.

TEXT.—Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would at men should do unto you, do ye even so to them, r this is the law and the prophets.—Matthew 7:12.

Mankind regulate their conduct towards each her by one of two general rules. The first may be pressed in the language: Do unto others as they do to you. This is a law of selfishness. It has for its ject to secure our own interests without regard to e interests and happiness of others. Where I injured; erefore, its law is revenge. It retaliates fraud by ceiving or defrauding others. If oppressed by the n of power and the oppressor is above its reach, its dignity is often expressed upon others who are still aker. The evil done to others is not necessarily fined to those who have injured us, but as we have fered injustice, the law of selfishness retaliates the ong by doing wrong whenever it has the opportu y. Its language is: All are selfish. Wherever I says one, it meets me in a thousand forms. I am frauded in the transactions of business. Every pos e advantage is taken of my ignorance, weakness incapacity. The civil law and the fear of men seem be the only restraints upon fraud and violence, that in society, he who wins the stake, whether he es it by lawless power or skillful deception, is com only regarded as the happiest and most honored of en. And now, shall I sit down and passively be me the prey of others, while some stern rule comes and prohibits retaliation? Is it any more than a asonable law of self-defense to meet others with ir own weapons? Do they not deserve it? n we ever subsist in this selfish world, less we sometimes act upon this principle? w, however plausible may seem this argument of fishness, it is most certainly opposed to the will of d. Love to man is as positively enjoined as love to d. If the first is a great commandment, the second, e to man, is like unto it. If God had dealt with us n the selfish principle of retaliation, or even stern tice, then where were hope? Imagination would e failed to penetrate the depths of our perdition have sinned, and nothing but the Divine law of e could have spared us and offered us so great sal ion. But whence came all the lamentation and e of this fallen world? Its wars and fightings; its rders and incendiarism; its extortion, robbery and ud; its oppression, malignity and strife—yea every l word and work between man and man? Come y not all from the selfish principle of seeking only own interests, without regard to the rights and ppiness of others? Are they not all the natural necessary fruit of the almost universal law o aliation—the smooth tongued principle, which f the serpent which beguiled Eve, so plausibly and quently pleads our own right, and the necessity reasonableness of fighting iniquity, at least in world with its own weapon? Ah! it is the com hensive summary and source of all human suf ng and wrong! It has thronged the broad way of truction with the many who go in thereat. To opt such a principle as the law of our life, is to for ke the gospel and adopt a system of morals which nmity against God. No man's integrity is to be sted who has done it; his honor and truth will last t as long as he is restrained by the civil law or the of man. He has forsaken the law of his God for cheaper principle of human expediency, and as t is just, will sooner or later reap according to t which he hath sown.

he second general rule to which I have referred by which it is to be hoped that some, even in this en world, do endeavor to regulate their lives, is law of love, of human benevolence, enjoined by Savior in His greatest of precepts, and sometimes ed His Golden Rule. It is an illustration of the ond great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy ghbor as thyself." This commandment had been understood and its meaning perverted. The bes had explained the word neighbor to signify thy brethren, the Jews, while the rest of man d were regarded as their national enemies. Jesus ored its true interpretation by this illustration, hatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, e even so to them." They were to love all man as themselves, and its meaning was made plain he illustration of doing unto them as they would one by. Let us consider for a few moments this precept of the Gospel. One of its prominent antages is its plainness; but for this our duty to ers might often be obscure and difficult. To love rs as ourselves has been pronounced impossible absurd, and hence the Scribes perverted the mean of the commandment, but this rule simplifies its ning. We have only to place ourselves in the po n of others and ask ourselves how we would that should do unto us and we have at once the meas and the rule of our obligations towards them. ld you desire that others should regard you with iness, benevolence and love, put a charitable con ction upon your motives words and actions? ld you that they should bear with your infirmities, gently even with your faults (for none of us are out them) and lead you so far as they have nfluence in ways of virtue pleasantness and peace? n have you by this very decision and desire, deter ed the measure of your obligations toward them. their other hand, are you displeased when your e and character are traduced, and your reputa injured by evil speaking without a cause, when r health, happiness and prosperity are envied, and ncharitable construction put upon your motives, ds or conduct? Do you feel injured by the ground suspicions and jealousies of others, and by their representations of your words and actions or even their disregard for your feelings? Are you farther displeased when they take advantage of r ignorance, defraud you in business, deceive you ords, and oppress you if in their power, and even mph in your sufferings? Here, also, you have sured your own obligations towards them. You no right to speak and judge of others as you are illing that they should speak and judge of you; right to do toward them that which would be g if done toward you. If you would that God or should deal kindly and compassionately with would you crave sympathy and loving kindness midst of sickness, poverty and distress, or if rant of the Gospel, you were perishing in super on or in sin, you think others would confer upon a blessing by sending you its glad tidings of salva Then again is your own duty to the poor and y of this world, and to the perishing in sin, made by this noon day light of your own decision. asy is it to determine our duty towards others n once we have come unto a thorough understand and habitual practice of the precepts of doing unto rs as we would that they should do unto us. condly? Another excellence of this rule is obvious equity. This is a great ntage. The equity even of Divine Prov ce is sometimes distrusted by those suffer, but who can dispute the equity of this? It must be universally conceded since to deny uld be equivalent to the assertion that we are r than others, and have rights which they have Now it is true that slavery has always claimed s which it denied to others, and despots have so intoxicated by flattery and power, as to pro other persons and nations that very injustice deception which they freely practiced themselves; his only illustrates their own miserable self-de n. No unprejudiced mind can fail to see the avity even of their mistake, for no principle of is more self evident, than that of this precept; d has made all men and given them life and ty, then they have a right to it until they forfeit misconduct. But has another no right to injure my person, property, character, or even feel Then, nothing is more certain than that I have right to inflict these injuries upon him. I know another has no right to enslave me—tell me when all go out and when I shall come in; sell my wife children and all that I have; and above all, libel word of God and humanity, by claiming their tion to his wrong, and then I know equally well, his rule, that I have no right to commit this vio e upon another. What right have I to injure rs which they have not to injure me? Are they as dear to themselves as I am to myself? at more monstrous than the assumption that e others ought to deal justly and kindly you, you may nevertheless deal unjustly and un ly with them? That while others do wrong in iving and defrauding yourself, you are under no obligation of truth and equity towards them. yet this great self evident obligation of truth and ness was brought to light in the gospel, was en ed, for the first time, by Him who spake as never spoke. It is a signal illustration of the excel of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord. ird—another excellence of this rule is its con ; for this, says our Savior is the Law and the ets. It is a summary of all the duties we our fellow men. The principle of this rule is essed in each separate commandment of the al law. Would you be loved, honored and obeyed our children? Then you have conceded the obli ons of the fifth commandment, "Honor thy r and mother." Or thou shalt do no murder, not commit adultery, shalt not steal, bear false ess or covet. Each of these commands is only a ition of conduct which would violate the spirit meaning of this rule, and never can we obey commands in their spirit and meaning without unto others as we would they should do unto It may even enlighten us in our duty towards In requiring the love, and confidence, and rful obedience of our children, we concede our obligations of love, confidence and submission e will of our Father who is in heaven, and if our of them illustrates their obligations of love and kfulness to us, how much more do our manifold ies from God illustrate our obligations to love with all our hearts, and shew forth His praise by ing before Him in righteousness and true holiness? the Savior has comprehended our duty here, in a e precept. It applies to every case in every ha relation. In the place of volumes, a single pre embodies our duty. This is an eminent advant While slavery and every form of despotism have sough to entrench themselves behind the oo ties of Mosaic law or Patriarchal example, or ent custom, here is a Divine rule, whose equity is parent; whose meaning is plain, which is ex ed in a single sentence, and exposes the iniquity l oppression—all injustice, and every wrong in west possible words. No upright heart, surely, all to thank the Savior for this golden rule." ain—Another excellence of this rule is the uni ality of its application. It is the law for monarchs eople, rulers and subjects, parents and children, and poor, old and young, all sorts and conditions n, and for all possible contingencie and situations ere we may perhaps, find the only perversion of ule which are probable or even possible. The ct may plead for unlicensed liberty—he neither s nor desires to exact obedience from his rulers, why, then, according to this rule should they ex from him? Or the child plausibly argues against ntal law and restraint. I demand no honor and ience from the parent—and why, upon this prin , does he require it from me? The fallacy lies in statement of the question. It is not what honor, t or obedience do I, as a child, demand of the t, or as a subject demand of my rulers, but it is Suppose I were the ruler, what should I demand e subject? Or suppose I am the parent, what t I to expect and require of my children? This is the sure of my obligations. Our positions are different ence our duties differ. The parent has obliga which the child has not, and the child has duties h, of course, do not belong to the parent. The a criminal may depend upon the verdict of a Now, were the jury in his place, would they not e acquittal, and ought they not, according to the of doing as they would be done by, acquit the ner, whether guilty or not guilty? Or, ought not idge, doing as he would be done by, to liberate prisoner at the bar? The answer is, certainly it he desires that which he has no right to desire which you have no right to concede, he has no to ask that you violate your oath, and you have ight to grant his request, if made. The rule, fore, limits its own application. Others have no to ask of me a positive wrong, nor I to grant a request when made. Or, suppose again: An is rich and I am poor. May I justly demand ual share of his wealth on the ground that I need much as he? Or am I under obligation to dis te my riches among the poor, just as I, if poor, ld demand from the rich towards me? The rule ers: Certainly, yes; you punish yourself by the avagance and wrong of your own covetous de The rule is here its own guardian. By desiring than is reasonable, you impose upon yourself the ation to bestow more than is reasonable. By ng more than is just and right, you place yourself r obligation to grant more than others have the to ask. Avarice, therefore, by this rule, be s severe only upon itself. It covets the possess of others, and by doing it makes the measure of wn obligations longer and broader than God him has made them. All such are still responsible for g unto others even as they would that others ld do unto them.

h is the equity, plainness, conciseness and excel of our Savior's rule, and such the universality s application. It is the law of Christian love as nguished from the law of human selfishness. In s relations to human conduct, it is the most ob and just of moral principles. Even such as are eless enough to boast of their depravity in other cts, often boast of their equity according to this and yet it is equally obvious that none can obey rule and yet deprave others by a wicked example, can do as they would be done by, and yet con unthankful and disobedient towards God. Why is not the principle enthroned in every heart and plified in every life? Its heavenly origin is not attested from its having been the utterance of a e Savior, but because its transparent equity and y cannot fail to commend themselves to every s well pleasing in the sight of a pure and holy That it is not practically therefore, the golden of all men, only illustrates the truth of the proph anguage, "The heart is deceitful above all things, desperately wicked." No new evidence or argu are requisite to bring all men to the faith and ience of this great law of love, but only a pure t and a right spirit. They need to be born of the spirit that the love of Christ may dwell in their is and be in them the hope of glory. The precept, fore, is full of deep and comprehensive ning. To obey it perfectly, would be the perfection hristian character. It would be to have the that was in Christ Jesus. To speak ruth and do a generous deed and pay an honest debt tain obligations of common morality, but the du of this precept comprehend not only the upright and generous deed, but also the right heart and rite spirit. Hence the spirit of this precept is es ial to all true Christian character. Let no man is how often he prays, or how zealous he is in the or forms of Christianity; or even how much he izes the love, and joy, and peace of a spiritual d. If, alas, he shall prove deceitful in his words, dishonest in the transactions of business; if, in the facts of his life show that he is ruled by the of human selfishness and not by the inward and tual law of Christian love, prayers, fastings and s giving only manifest the hypocrisy of the heart. e life is corrupt, cleanse the heart therefrom, for of it are the issues of life. This law of love—this of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus, which purifies the heart from its selfishness and sin is re ornament or appendage of Christian charac It is its essence, and rule, and summary. As well the Kingdom of Heaven without holiness as to without the benevolent spirit of this law written our hearts. It is always united with the heart believeth the love that purifieth and the faith overcometh the world. Let all who name the e of Christ habitually and practically in all the actions of business, and in all the common inter of life, manifest the excellence of this rule and will doubt their piety or fail to honor the gospel they profess. On the other hand, how only do the world estimate the piety of those e profession are not reliable, whose statements are always true, whose integrity is doubtful, and who more desirous to win the stake of profit or than the testimony of a good conscience

towards men? But do as ye would that others should do unto you. Follow out the precept in all the relations and duties of life, and the Gospel shall be honored, while others seeing your good works shall be led to glorify our Father which is in Heaven.

Suppose, lastly, a perfect and universal exemplification of this precept in all the world; how quickly should the wilderness and the solitary place be glad and the desert rejoice and blossom as the rose; none would henceforth mourn over the disappointment of violated truth and obligations; none would suffer under the oppressions and exactions of the cold, hard heart of human selfishness. The band of violence would disappear and the ills of poverty be no more known; but in their place a peace, a purity and good will should prevail that would make this earth a garden of the Lord and its inhabitants a people that should show forth His praise. No land should remain destitute of the Gospel. The world is beautiful, and fruitful, and glorious enough to constitute a primitive Eden, were only its population universally delivered from the bane of selfishness and sin, and made perfect and complete in all the love and good will of their Father in Heaven. The remedy, therefore, for all human ills is not in science, forms of government or fruitful soils, but in the blessed truths of the everlasting Gospel. Let Christ be formed within you, the hope of glory. Be rooted and grounded in His love. To this end, behold in Him the Lamb of God who taketh away your sin and whose blood alone cleanseth from all unrighteousness. Go unto Him weary and heavy laden with the burden of your guilt and He shall give rest unto your soul; give you the pearl of infinite price, not only the forgiveness of all your sins, but also the light, and life and love which are the elements of fulness, of joy and pleasures forevermore that are at His right hand.

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Mixed Train	9:30 A. M.	9:25 P. M.
Walker's Accommodation	11:45 A. M.	3:09 P. M.
Express	2:10 P. M.	1:00 A. M.
Mansfield Accommodation	9:06 A. M.	1:10 P. M.
Steubenville Accom.	3:15 P. M.	10:05 A. M.
McDonald Accommodation	4:10 P. M.	8:15 A. M.

Trains.	Morning Train.	Morning Train.	Evening Train.
Leave PITTSB'H.	1:55 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	2:15 p.m.
Ar've Columbus.	10:50 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	11:40 p.m.
" Cincinnati.	3:30 p.m.	5:00 a.m.	5:00 a.m.
" Indianapl's	7:55 p.m.	7:55 a.m.	7:55 a.m.
" Chicago	10:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
" Ter. Haute	11:35 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
" St. Louis	8:00 a.m.	8:35 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
" Louisville	5:15 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
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" "	11 50 "	Wellsville "	9 55 "
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Wellsville "	3 30 "	Leetsdale "	11 15 "
Leetsdale "	4 50 "	" "	1 05 "
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Arrive.		Depart.	
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Fast Line	1.50 a m	Wall's No. 1	6.30 a m
Wall's No. 1	6.20 a m	Mail Train	7.05 a m
Brinton No. 1	7.50 a m	Wall's No. 2	9.50 a m
Wall's No. 2	8.59 a m	*Cincinnati Ex.	10.50 a m
Johnstown ac.	9.50 a m	Wall's No. 3	11.50 a m
Baltimore Exp.	1.20 p m	Braddock No. 1	3.40 p m
Phila. Express.	1.50 p m	Phila. Express.	4.10 p m
Wall's No. 3	2.05 p m	Wall's No. 4	5.40 p m
Wall's No. 4	4.00 p m	Wall's No. 5	6.05 p m
Braddock No. 1.	5.50 p m	Wall's No. 6	10.50 p m
Wall's No. 5	7.00 p m	Fast Line	10.05 p m
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Arrive Sharpsburg, 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 A. M., 12:30, 4:30, 7:00 and 8:30 P. M.

Leave Sharpsburg, 6:20, 7:45, 9:15, 11:15 A. M., 1:30, 4:45 and 7:15 P. M.

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	Leave P'gh.	Arrive at P'gh.
First Kiskiminetas Ac.	6 30 A M	12 00 M
Mail (to & from Mah'ng)	7 20 "	6 00 P M
First Soda Works Ac.	9 30 "	8 00 A M
Second Kiskiminetas Ac.	1 30 P M	7 00 P M
Exp. to & from Mah'ng	3 30 "	10 30 A M
Second Soda Works Ac.	5 30 "	2 30 P M
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SPRING ARRANGEMENT.

On and after THURSDAY, March 15th, 1866, the trains will leave the Depot, corner of Ross and Water streets, as follows:

	Leaves Pittsburgh.	Arrives at Pittsburgh.
Mail to and from Uniontown	7:00 a. m.	6:00 p. m.
Express "	3:00 p. m.	10:00 a. m.
West Newton Accommod'n	6:15 p. m.	8:00 a. m.
First McKeesport Accommod'n	11:00 a. m.	6:50 a. m.
Second "	10:00 p. m.	2:05 p. m.
Braddock's "	4:10 p. m.	5:45 p. m.
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CITY MATTERS.

Sabbath School Teachers' Institute.

In accordance with the action of the Convention held recently in Sharpsburg, a Sunday School Teachers' Institute will be held in the Presbyterian Church, in the borough of Sharpsburg, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 19th and 20th inst. All Sunday School teachers, officers and pastors are invited. The programme for the occasion is as follows:

First Day—Morning Session: 10 o'clock—Devotional exercises. Topic—Entire Consecration to Christ. Afternoon—Responsive reading by the Institute. Prayer or remarks. Topic—Greater Love for Souls. The Model Sunday School, followed by reports and criticisms of the methods adopted in each class, a general review of the lesson by the conductor and a model lesson. Evening—Topic, conversion of all children and youth in our Sunday Schools. Address on the general subject of the work, with special reference to the wants and difficulties of our country schools, followed by criticisms and discussions.

Second Day—Morning: Devotional services. Topics—Christian Unity. Model Teachers Meeting, followed by discussions, Specimen Object Teaching. Specimen Concert Exercise Discussion. Afternoon—Prayer and Remarks. Question Drawer Opened. Specimen Infant Class Teaching.

Another Victim—A Stranger Robbed of One Hundred Dollars.

A Teuton by the name of Wilheim Mechling, hailing from near Fort Wayne, Indiana, arrived in this city on Wednesday evening, on his way to Amsterdam, Germany, where he has a wealthy uncle residing. He strayed into a house of ill-repute, kept by one Barbara Zoller, on Liberty street, in the Fifth ward, where he remained until Thursday morning. After leaving, he had occasion to make some purchases, but when he put his hand in his pocket for his wallet, he discovered that it was missing. The pocket-book contained over one hundred dollars, in five and ten dollar "greenbacks," with part of which he intended to defray his expenses. From the numerous attentions shown him by one Hettie Napman, an inmate of the house, during his stay on Wednesday night, he strongly suspected her of having robbed him. Acting upon this suspicion, he repaired to the office of Alderman Taylor, and made an information charging Hettie with larceny. She was arrested and had a hearing yesterday before the Alderman, but the evidence being insufficient to warrant the magistrate in holding her for trial, she was discharged. Wilhelm then lodged an information against Barbara Zoller, for keeping a house of ill-repute, but the accused has not yet been arrested.

A Steam Fire Engine in Birmingham.

A correspondent, "Fireman," a resident of Birmingham, suggests the propriety of having a steam Fire Engine in connection with the Lincoln hose Company, in that borough. The borough Council are about having erected a new and commodious engine house on Liberty street, for the use of the Hose Company, and they have already provided a new hose carriage and one thousand feet of good hose. The Company is composed of about seventy-five worthy young men, who are laboring zealously that it may be creditable as well as useful to the borough. They are desirous of increasing their efficiency as a fire company, by the addition of a steam fire engine. In order to raise the necessary funds for the purchase of an engine, an appeal has been made to the citizens of the borough, for aid. A book has been opened and subscriptions have been made by some of the leading business men of the borough. The object is a deserving one, and should meet the approval of every property holder in Birmingham.

Patents Granted.

The following are among the patents issued from the United States Patent office, for the week ending December 4th, 1866:

Henry C. Van Tine, of Pittsburgh, Pa., for an improvement in refining petroleum.

Thos. M. Foster, of Union Mills, Pa., for improvement in oil wells.

Henry J. Leasure and James S. Gill, of Wheeling, W. V., for improved cooling glass press.

C. R. Roberts and J. S. Hartzell, of Addison, Pa., for improvement in fruit gatherers.

Aaron Casebeer, of Siperville, Pa., for improvement in instrument for destroying embryo caterpillars.

Clement Weaver, of Easton, Pa., for improved car coupling.

A. Wells, of Morgantown, West Virginia, for improvement in cotton seed cleaners.

PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY ORPHAN ASYLUM.—L. J. Campbell, Secretary of the Board of Managers of the above institution, sends us the following: The Managers of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Orphan Asylum take this method of returning their earnest thanks to all those who have aided in any way in the erection and furnishing of the new Asylum. They can confidently assure the donors that the funds contributed have been judiciously expended, and they hope that the increased facilities afforded them in their new and most convenient building, will enable them to extend their fostering care to a greater number of children. The Managers would be glad if all friends of the institution would visit the building and examine it for themselves, and see what a comfortable home their bounty has provided for the Orphans.

TAKEN TO THE PENITENTIARY.—Sheriff Samuel B. Cluley and Deputy Thomas Hunter, yesterday took to the Western Penitentiary the following persons, convicted during the present week in the Criminal Court and sentenced for the periods named: John Brown, for horse stealing, five years; Dennis Sullivan, for larceny, two years and six months; John Sullivan and Patrick Kelly, both convicted of stealing shoes, one year and four months each.

AUCTIONEERING WITHOUT A LICENSE.—An information was made before Alderman Strain yesterday by Melchoir Varner, who alleges that a man named William W. Woods, did on the 6th of December, and at various times before, dispose of goods as a public auctioneer, without having obtained a license for the same. A warrant has been placed in the hands of an officer for the arrest of Woods, who lives in Snowden township.

RELEASED UNDER THE INSOLVENT LAW.—John Edwards, who has been in jail for the past three months, for fine and costs in an assault and battery case, made an application to Court, yesterday, claiming the benefit of the insolvent act. The application was granted and he was released.

FUNERAL DISCOURSE.—We notice that the Rev. James S. Dickerson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, is announced to preach a sermon to-morrow morning in Masonic Hall, appropriate to the death of the late Ira B. McVay, Esq., who was a member and office bearer of that church.

TRINITY CHURCH, SIXTH STREET.—The annual free choral service will be sung at this church to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. The public are cordially invited. The Anthem, by Vincent Norvello, "I will sing of mercy and judgment."

REV. E. B. SNYDER, being unexpectedly called away from his pulpit on last Sabbath, has returned to the city, and will preach in Christ M. E. Church to-morrow morning and evening, as usual.

SKATING IN BIRMINGHAM.—There is excellent skating at the National Skating Park on Railroad street, East Birmingham. A Brass Band is in attendance afternoon and evening.

Police Items.

BEFORE ALDERMAN MORROW.—Mrs. Christian Uetz appeared and made an information yesterday before Alderman E. S. Morrow, of the Eighth ward, charging a man whose name is unknown, but who is called "Jim," with malicious mischief. The parties are neighbors, and reside on the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Federal street. Mrs. Uetz alleges that the defendant did maliciously break a chain and lock attached to the hydrant in her yard. George Uetz, son of Mrs. Uetz, also lodged an information against the same defendant for surety of the peace, alleging that he threatened to "knock his head off." Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the accused.

BEFORE ALDERMAN TAYLOR.—Michael Reddy was before this Alderman yesterday, charged with committing an assault and battery upon Thomas Moore, conductor of a car on the Lawrenceville passenger railway, by striking him with the butt of a heavy wagon whip. The alleged assault occurred on the 4th inst., and the information was made on the 5th inst., but Reddy managed to elude the police until yesterday, when he was arrested by officer Bell. He was held to bail for a hearing to-day.

BEFORE ALDERMAN STRAIN.—Nettie McCafferty lodged a complaint, yesterday, against one Mollie Smith, charging her with keeping a disorderly house in Allegheny, near the Manchester line, where persons of lewd character do congregate for unlawful purposes. A warrant was issued for Mollie's arrest.

BEFORE JUSTICE ARENT.—Charles Gallagher was arrested and taken before Justice A. Arent, of Reserve township, yesterday, charged with false pretences on oath of Sarah Doyle. The information was made on Tuesday. Gallagher was committed to jail in default of three hundred dollars bail for trial.

A SURE PILE CURE.—Dr. Gilbert's Pile instrument positively cures the worst cases of Piles. Sent by mail on receipt of $4. Circulars free. Sold by Druggists. Agent wanted everywhere. Address J. B. Romaine, Manager, No 575 Broadway, New York.

FREE BATHS.—TENTH WARD MISSION SCHOOL CONCERT.—To be held at the new Academy of Music, Liberty street, on Friday evening next, the 14th inst. It is the object of the managers of the school to procure a mission building, and establish free baths in connection with the mission. A proposition has been made by a member of the school to hold a series of entertainments, as many as shall prove profitable, he assuming all the expenses connected with holding them; that all the money received from contributions and sale of tickets may be appropriated to the object above named. This generous offer being accepted, it is confidently hoped that this first concert may be pecuniarily a success. Tickets for sale at the door on the evening of the concert. Price fifty cents. Doors open at seven o'clock. Concert to commence at a quarter of eight. de12-3t

The Laws of Health.

It is useless for State Legislatures to pass laws for the preservation of the public health, if the great *law of self preservation*, which depends for its enforcement upon the *will of the individual*, is suffered to remain a dead letter.

There is scarcely an adult member of the community, of either sex, in this country, who has not seen the testimony in favor of HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS, furnished over their own signatures by persons of acknowledged eminence in science, literature, art commerce, and every department of business and professional life. These witnesses have declared in the most explicit terms that the preparation is a safeguard against epidemics, a sovereign remedy for dyspepsia, a valuable anti bilious medicine, a promoter of appetite, a genial and harmless stimulant, a good acclimating medicine, a strengthener of the nerves, a general invigorant, a protection against the deleterious effects of malaria and impure water, and that it imparts a degree of vigor and activity to the vital forces which is not communicated by any other of the tonics and stomachics in use. Under these circumstances the self-preservative law of nature should teach every rational person who, either by reason of inherent debility or in consequence of exposure to unwholesome influences, is in peril of losing the greatest of all temporal blessings, HEALTH, the importance of using the BITTERS as a *defensive medicine*. Dyspeptics who neglect to give it a trial are simply their own enemies. It is guaranteed to cure Indigestion in all its forms, and the bilious and nervous will find nothing in the whole range of official and proprietary medicines which will afford them the same relief.

The Courts.

COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS.—Before Judge Stowe.

Charles Ramsey, indicted for the larceny of a watch, was acquitted. He was, however, remanded to jail, there being another charge of larceny pending against him.

John Hennisey was arraigned on a charge of adultery preferred against him by William Vaughn. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and divided the costs between the parties.

Alfred Wilson and John Cummins, were indicted for the larceny of two diamond rings, valued at $1,500, from Johnston & Scott's jewelry establishment on Liberty street. About three weeks since the defendants while passing the prosecutor's store, noticed the rings in the window, and managed to obtain possession of them by forcing a small stick through a broken pane of glass. A young lad who was passing noticed the movement, and informed the police, who arrested the parties. The rings were recovered. Cummins, who is about fifteen years of age, had been previously convicted of the larceny of one dollar and sixty-five cents from Mr. Matthew Lawton. Both defendants were found guilty. On the first charge he was sentenced to twenty-four hours in the County Jail, and on the second was committed to the House of Refuge. Wilson will be sentenced to-day.

Conrad Schadd, a butcher, was indicted for keeping four ferocious dogs. John Oxhenhardt testified that while sitting at the door of his residence, in the Eigth ward, he was attacked by one of the animals and bitten severely. A number of witnesses were brought forward on the part of the defense, who testified that the dog was peacably disposed, and would not have injured Oxenhardt had he not assaulted it. The case is still on trial.

COURT OF COMMON PLEASE.—Before Judge Mellon.

The case of Robert Logan vs. Eli Boyd was taken up yesterday morning, and consumed the entire day. This was an appeal from a judgment given by Justice Davidson, of Wilkinsburg. A verdict for eighty dollars in favor of the plaintiff was rendered.

The jury was then discharged from further attendance, and the Court adjourned.

DISTRICT COURT.—Before Judge Williams.

The case of Benjamin Reed vs. Robert Blackmore, an action in ejectment for a tract of land in Jefferson township, which was taken up on Wednesday, is still on trial. The evidence was concluded last evening, and the counsel will proceed to address the jury on Monday morning.

A Word to the Christian Public.

The Day Missionary of the City Missionary Board tells me that it meets a great many cases of destitution. This we are to expect, and provide for in such a season as this. Will the benevolent please send to the Church Book Store, No. 196 Smithfield street, such clothing as they can spare, directed to Mr. John H. Morris, Day Missionary. He will distribute it carefully. Any money sent to Mr. H. J. Lynch, Treasurer of the Missionary Board, No. 96 Market street, will be carefully used by the Day Missionary. Help of every sort is needed at once, and none who are destitute are denied a share of the means entrusted to me. I beg that aid may at once be liberally given in this work of mercy.

J. B. KERFOOT, Bishop.

OFF THE TRACK.—Engine No. 11, on the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad, jumped the track on Thursday afternoon, at the entrance to the passenger station, in the Eighth ward. A force of workmen immediately set to work to replace it, but it was not until late at night that it was accomplished. The Braddock's Accommodation was detained three quarters of an hour. The same locomotive also jumped the track yesterday morning, but was replaced in a few hours.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

Per Pitts. Ft. Wayne & Chicago R. R.

[illegible]

Per Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad.

[illegible]

Pitts. Columbus & Cincinnati Railroad.

[illegible]

Per Allegheny Valley Railroad.

[illegible]

Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad.

[illegible]

IMPORTS BY RIVER.

Cincinnati.

[illegible]

Parkersburg.

...lasses; James Glenn, 67 bales hay, 112 sacks oats; W P Beck & Co, 2 bbls onions, 1 do dried apples; Gilmore, Simpson & Co, 6 334 hoop poles; Myers, Hopper & Co, 1 dozen bedsteads, 3 doz chairs, 1 doz towel racks; C G Hussey & Co, 1 cask sheet zinc; Clarke & Co, 17 bbls lubricating oil; S Schopk, 3 bbls whisky; Cook, Bros & Co, 9 bbls molasses, 1 do eggs, 1 do butter; J S Dilworth & Co, 13 bbls beans, 1 do butter, 1 do flaxseed; T C Jenkins, 4 bbls butter, 1 do eggs, 1 do timothy seed; J Collins, 1 keg merchandise; H Sweeney & Co, 40 barrels lubricating oil; Q C Loomis, 18 tons pig iron; G Freeborn, 11 bundles chair stuff; W H Hagan, 6 sks corn, 34 bales hay; People's Line, 1 box hair; Reamer, 1 box cigars, 1 can oil, 1 do drugs, 1 do glass, 3 boxes books; Sturgeon & Bros, 1 box butter, 1 bbl eggs; Stein Bros, 3 boxes clothing; W J Meek, 90 sks malt; Head & Metzgar, 11 bbls dried apples.

Pitts. Brownsville & Geneva U. S. Mail.

R C Schmertz, 160 boxes glass; Martin, 25 bbls apples; Silverman, 55 flour barrels; Schomaker & Lang, 90 sacks oats, 2 dressed hogs; Carson, Darlington & Co, 8 sacks malt; H Gearing, 1 box butter; D Lille, 1 keg butter; Newcomer, Goe & Co, 1 box merchandise; R H Palmer, 1 box merchandise; J Cable, 3 boxes poultry, 2 sacks rags; D S White, 3 boxes poultry, 1 bbl sundries; Loghminer, 2 packages marketing; F J Evans, 40 dressed turkeys; Price, 8 000 feet lumber; Day, McAboy & Spang, 500 hams lumber; Stamm & Illig, 9 packages produce, 14 bales hay; Mr Grinnell, 44 live turkeys, 3 coop chickens, 1 bbl eggs; J Wilderman, 2 packages marketing; Thomas Ryan, 12 live turkeys, 2 box chickens, 1 bbl glass; Whitmore, Wolf, Duff & Co, 2 bundles shovels; C P Markle & Co, 13 sacks rags.

St. Louis.

PER STEAMER EZRA POTTER.—D M Edgerton, 116 oil barrels; R C Gray, 140 tons iron ore; R T Kennedy & Bro, 60 flour bbls; Rees, Graff & Dull, 100 oil barrels; S Harbaugh & Co, 73 green hides, 79 dry do; Samuel Wheeler, 214 oil barrels.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

FRIDAY, December 14, 1866.

There is no quotable change in rates in our local money market to report to-day. The banks are able to accommodate their customers to the extent of their wants, and lenders outside are very choice in what they invest. The transactions here in stock collaterals are very light. Capitalists in this city do not adopt this well tried and safe mode of making loans. There is no doubt it would cheapen the rates to borrowers if they would get in the habit of putting up good collaterals when they wish to borrow money.

—The New York quotations fell off slightly to-day at the forenoon board; which is shown by the following dispatch received at S. S. Bryan's rooms:

Gold	137⅝
U. S. Bonds, 1881	112
" 5-20's, 1862	107¾
" 5-20's 1865	106
" " new issues	108⅞
" 1st series 7-30's	105
" 2d and 3d series 7-30's	105
Michigan Southern	81⅝
Cleveland and Pittsburgh	91¾
Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne and Chicago	105⅝
Erie	72½
W. U. Telegraph Co	49⅛
Chicago and Rock Island	104⅜
Chicago and Northwestern	55⅜
Chicago and Northwestern, preferred	78
Bennehoff	3¾
Gregory	8¼
Quartz Hill	2⅝
Corydon	3⅞
Ho man	20
Keystone	6
Smith & Parmalee	6⅞

—The following is a statement of the approximate earnings of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway Company during the month of November, ult., compared with the same period of the year 1865:

	1866.	1865.	Increase over '65.	Decrease from '65.
Fr'ts	$ 452,247 08	$ 428,578 34	$23,668 74	
Pas'grs	203 187 10	255,306 10		$52,119 00
Ex M'r	7 800 00	10 964 06		3,164 06
Mails	7 8.5 00	7,825 00		
Ren	7,084 34	7,083 38		
M'c's	3,410 00	2,605 68	804 32	
Total	$ 681,552 51	$ 712,362 51		$ 30,810 00
Jan 1 to Nov 30	$ 6,904,822 54	$7,908 099 66		$1,003,276 52

—The New York *Herald*, of yesterday, says:—The improvement on the Stock Exchange continues to make steady progress and the number of buyers is daily on the increase. Speculation runs almost entirely on railway shares, which promise soon to recover the whole of their recent decline, as two or three of them have already done, thus showing the great recuperative power of the market. In view of the enhanced and growing value of railway property, the leading stocks are generally considered cheap for investment by capitalists at the current prices, and their natural tendency cannot but be upward for a long time to come. The policy which Congress is likely to pursue, according to present appearances, will operate against a disturbance of the currency values, and leave monetary affairs in the same condition as at present, excepting probably a curtailment of the power of the Secretary of the Treasury to contract the currency, the present rate of contraction—namely, four millions a month—being excessive. There is no necessity for it, neither is it desirable that the legal tender notes should be reduced on this scale, moderate as it may appear. We notice a report from Washington to-day that the House Committee on Banking have agreed to report a bill, the main features of which will be like that passed last year. It is said to provide that no national bank shall have a circulation of over one million, and to cut down the circulation of existing banks nearly thirty millions, giving the notes thus withdrawn to banks of deficient circulation and to Southern States in need of banking facilities. It is safe to assume that such a bill, if reported, will not pass in either house. It would be an invidious task to take back from individual banks a portion of their circulation, and it would be regarded as a breach of faith to do so, and at the best it would be robbing Peter to pay Paul. A much fairer course, and one which the interests of the government call for, would be to abolish the national bank currency altogether and substitute therefor legal tender notes.

—A correspondent wishes to know why compound interest notes are worth a premium above their face and interest? The answer is easily given. Every national banking association is obliged, by the thirty-first section of the national currency act, to keep on hand in lawful money from fifteen to twenty-five per cent. of its liabilities for circulation and deposits. These compound notes are a very convenient and profitable kind of lawful money to hold to make up this reserve, since they are the only interest-bearing legal-tenders now outstanding. The banks have been purchasing them very heavily at the present market price, and at even higher figures, and they cling very tenaciously to all they have secured. It is stated that Hon. Samuel Hooper will be likely to renew his proposition in Congress to deprive the banks of the privilege of using these compounds in the manner we have described. His success is doubtful, but should such a measure become a law compound interest notes will sell at a discount from their face and interest.

—The following is Mr. Price's bill proposing to give bondholders the privilege of exchanging registered for coupon bonds, now before the Committee of Ways and Means: That from and after the passage of this act any holder of any registered bond of the United States shall upon application to the Treasurer of the United States, have the right to have the same exchanged for a coupon bond of a like amount, with a like rate of interest and maturing at the same time with the registered bond; and for the purpose of paying the expense incurred in making such exchange, the party making the application for such exchange shall pay into the treasury of the United States the sum of one-fourth of one per cent., and no more.

—The report of the N. York Central Railroad Company, made pursuant to laws of that State, shows that the cost of the road and its equipment amount to over $24,000,000, and that the aggregate total length of equivalent single track on lines owned and leased by the Company is over 1,133 miles. It employs 276 locomotive engines and about 5,000 cars of one kind or another. During the past year it earned more than $14,000,000, and has paid more than $1,500,000 in dividends out of net earnings of over $2,000,000. In thirteen years its earnings by passengers, freight, and from other sources, are stated at $117,000,000, the column of yearly increase footing up over $9,000,000 against a slight decrease of little more than $1,500,000. The capital stock of the Company is $24,801,000. These figures will suffice to indicate the vast wealth and control of a railroad monopoly which, by bands of iron, holds a good part of the State of New York in its grasp, and to some extent rules the whole.

—The annual report of the insurance companies required by law, is causing considerable disturbance in the minds of the managers of several companies which, will be obliged to add fresh money to make up their capital. These institutions are, in too many cases, harbors of refuge for officers at high salaries, alike unfortunate in managing the property of the stockholders as their own. Commencing with charging inadequate premiums, these are absorbed by large salaries to officials for very moderate services, and the payment of commissions to brokers and policy holders. The sooner the small companies are consolidated into institutions of reasonable capital, and the business saved the expense of numerous extravagant rents and salaries, the better it will be for the stockholders as well as the insured.—*N. Y. Tribune*.

PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, FRIDAY, December 14, 1866.

There was not much done to-day in the general markets, beyond the limited transactions noted for some time back. Trade goes no farther than the immediate wants of dealers and consumers. The majority of dealers, however, look for more activity at no distant day. Our quotations show but little change, from those reported for the last week. The flour market is more active, and prices are somewhat firmer, but still the demand is very local and limited in orders for any quantity. There is no new feature requiring extended remarks, in this market.

The Detroit Wheat market is reported as almost entirely deserted. Want of stocks is named as the cause. The standing offers of buyers on 'Change for white wheat, deliverable any time this month, are as follows: Extra white $2 80; No 1 do, $2 70; No. 2, $2 60. There is a good demand for new corn, which is held at 82c in bags. There was, on Wednesday, an improved feeling in the dressed hog and provision market, although nominally, prices are unchanged. Packers still adhere to $7 25 for heavy, but extra lots sold freely 25c higher. Mess pork was steady at $18 00.

In Cincinnati there was, on Wednesday, an improved inquiry continuing for flour, though it is still only in the regular way, to supply the trade dependent on that market. Quotations remain at the same range given for some days past. Wheat was in moderate demand, and holders stiffen a little in their views. No. 2 Spring was held more firmly at $2 05; No. 1 would command $2 25; Extra, $2 35; No. 2 red Winter sells in a small way at $2 60, but 5c more is generally asked; No. 1 red Winter is firm at $2 70, and hardly to be had at less than $2 75; Extra is held at $2 85, but this is above the market. The offerings, particularly of ...

... asked, and we learn indirectly have been obtained on net weights.

A more nervous feeling is awakened by this upward move in the market, but packers seem to be no better convinced that there is safety in supporting the advance, or even in operating at the figures current before the advance took place.

In Chicago, on Wednesday, there was generally a firmer feeling in the produce markets. Flour was unchanged, but wheat advanced 2c, and closed firm. Corn was a shade firmer, closing up strong at 81½@82c for No. 1 in store. Mess pork was firmer with sales of 800 bbls at $18 50 cash, and seller January.

Cattle—For shipping and choice butchering grades the market was quite active, and Tuesday's prices were firmly maintained on all sales reported. Other grades are dull and almost entirely nominal. Received 1,775; sold, 966 head.

Hogs—The bulk of the receipts were taken by city packers at a further advance of 10a15c ₱ 100 lbs over the closing range of Tuesday night. Very few remain in the pens unsold. Prices range from $5 15 to $6 30 per 100 lbs for common to prime lots. Received, 4,840; sold 4,448; shipped, 114.

In Cincinnati on Wednesday, whisky in bond was selling at 28c; out of bond it will not bring more than $2 20, though held 2a3c higher. In Louisville prices are reported as declining, particularly for raw. We quote raw at $2 26a2 27; Rectified at $1 83a2 27; new copper at $1 25a1 40 in bond.

The Louisville Hog market to-day, says the *Democrat* of Wednesday, opened with more than usual activity, and $6 25 was readily paid, and some choice lots brought an advance upon these figures, and sales at $6 50 are reported. Sales to-day amount to about 3 000 head, and the market closes firm at $6 25a6 40, with the pens nearly clear. Packers generally reluctantly pay so large an advance upon last week's quotations, believing that prices must soon be more in accordance with the market for products, which does not at present warrant either immediately or prospectively high figures for hogs. Receipts continue liberal, and all desirable lots are taken readily at $6 25a6 40 gross. We hear of a sale of light hogs at 5¼c gross.

The imports by river and rail since our last were light. They were of Flour, 369 bbls; Apples, 53 bbls; Corn, 47 sacks; Barley, 488 sacks; Oats, 146 sacks; Rye, 3 cars; Wheat, 3 cars and 150 sacks; Hay, 137 bales; Potatoes, 520 sacks. We also note the receipt of 424 bbls Whisky, from Geneva and Brownsville, per People's Line of steamers.

APPLES—The demand is dull and confined to the local trade. Sales of 40 bbls, from store, at $2 75a3 00. Choice winter is held at $3 25a3 50.

BEANS—The demand is very light. Sales 4 bbls, at $2 75.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—The market remains dull. Sales of 3 tons at $4 50 per cwt. are reported.

BUTTER—We have nothing new to record of the market. The demand is local and the market pretty well supplied. We note sales 4 packages at 28@29c. A prime article of roll is generally held for 30c.

CIDER—There appears to be a decline, for sales of 8 bbls. common are reported at $6 per bbl. There is, however a good deal in store held for $8 50.

EGGS—The market remains dull, and prices drooping a little. Sales are reported of 3 bbls. at 36@38c.

CHESTNUTS—Sales of 9 bush are reported at $7 00 ₱ bush.

FEED—Sales are reported of 2 tons shorts, at the depot, at $1 40, and 1 ton middlings at $1 80.

FLOUR—The receipts and stock are very light, and there is an appearance of more activity, and an upward tendency on all grades. Private dispatches to a prominent dealer to day, from Chicago, announce an advance of one quarter per bbl. Sales are reported in this market of 200 bbls Ford's at $11 50@11 75; 200 bbls Jenkins's Lily, to arrive, at $12 50; 100 bbls Desplaine's at $11 50@11 75; 110 bbls Cedar Grove, winter, at $13 00. Winter wheat brands range from $13@14, and as high as $15 00.

GRAIN—The receipts of Wheat are extremely limited, as there is no demand whatever—flour selling lower, accordingly, than wheat can be sold for in the market. There is some appearance, however, of more activity before long, as the stock of wheat bought in by millers, and in store, is pretty well exhausted. We have no change to note in prices, which are nominal to some extent. Sales one car ear Corn at 70c; 200 bushels at 78c, and 200 bushels at 80@85c, are reported. Oats are a little more active. Sales 200 bushels Monongahela Valley are reported at 52c, and 100 bushels from store at 53c.

HAY—The market has not undergone any change ...

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